

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Kayhan Kucukcakar et al.

Application No.: 10/773,058

Art Unit.: 2128

Filed: 02/04/2004

Examiner: Shambhavi K. Patel

For: "System And Method For Providing Distributed Static Timing Analysis With Merged Results"

Docket No.: SYN-0513

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: March 17, 2009

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.
2. **STATUS:** Applicant is other than a small entity.
3. **EXTENSION OF TERM:** A Petition And Fee For Extension Of Time (37.C.F.R. 1.136(a)) is filed herewith.
4. **FEE FOR CLAIMS:** The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated below:

	(Col.1)		(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	LARGE ENTITY	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Addit. Fee
Total	77	Minus	79	= -0-	x \$52 =	\$-0-
Indep.	8	Minus	12	= -0-	x \$220 =	\$-0-
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim					+ \$390 =	\$0
					Total Addit. Fee	\$-0-

5. **FEE PAYMENT and DEFICIENCY:** *This Amendment is being electronically filed and fees should be charged to our American Express credit card.* Please charge the amount of \$490 for a two-month extension of time. If any additional extension and/or fee is required, or if there is an underpayment of fees, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0574 (Docket No. SYN-0513).

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Assignee: Synopsys, Inc.  
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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THIRD OFFICE ACTION

Initial Comments:

This response addresses the rejection of Claim 1, 3-9, 12-19, 25, 27-30, 32-43, 45, 47-53, 55-62, 64-70, 72-78, and 83-96. Claims 1, 3-9, 12-19, 25, 27-30, 32-43, 45-53, 55-62, 64-70, and 72-78 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being rendered obvious by US Publication 2004/0044976 (Schultz) and an article entitled, "Focus Report: Timing Analysis" (Schulz). Claims 83-96 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being rendered obvious by Schultz, Schulz, and an article by Ernst entitled "Razor: A Low-Power Pipeline Based on Circuit-Level Timing Speculation" (Ernst).

Claims 1, 19, 25, 33, 34, 45, 62, and 83 are amended herein.